

GOVERNOR OF ARKANSAS WAS CITY'S GUEST

Teachers of this District Heard Bel-
lami Address by Chief Executive
of Arkansas, Who Created Most
Favorable Impression Among His
Hearers.

Thursday, Nov. 27, at the Metho-
dist Church, in Durant, teacher of
the Southeastern Division of the Ok-
lahoma Education Association, in
session here, had an opportunity to
hear Governor Chas. H. Brough, of
Arkansas, one of the best informed
and most eloquent speakers of the
South and one of its most widely ex-
perienced practical school men—the
Governor having been an active edu-
cator during a great portion of his
life.

Governor Brough's talk was on
"Americanism," a subject admitting
of a wide range of thought and ex-
pression, and especially did he em-
phasize his theme as applied to
teachers and school life. By "Amer-
icanism" can education and general
school conditions be enhanced in val-
ue to all concerned; and also by well
directed educational efforts can "Am-
ericanism" itself be benefited. The
address was patriotic and instructive,
and to the fullest extent sustained
the Governor's reputation for rhet-
oric and erudition. Applause was
spontaneous and without stint, and
those fortunate enough to hear Gov-
ernor Brough feel that they experi-
enced an educational and literary
treat.

Committees saw to it that the dis-
tinguished visitor received every due
consideration and treatment that will
cause him to have none but the
pleasantest of memories concerning
Southeastern Oklahoma's teachers
and the citizens generally.

Musical selections by the South-
eastern State Normal Chorus also
helped much toward making the
first session of the teachers a very
enjoyable affair.

The address of welcome by Hon.
Chas. E. McPherson, of Durant, was
a veritable gem of eloquence, com-
bining, as it did, logic with humor

and wit in dealing with the more so-
lons questions that confront educa-
tors. To Arkansas' Governor he
gave a characteristic Southland wel-
come, and on the part of the citi-
zens extended a greeting to the teach-
ers who are honoring Durant with
their presence.

Then there was a response by
Supt. C. W. Richards, of the Ardmore
schools, and the annual address of
the president of this division of the
Association, Supt. W. G. Masterson,
of McAlester. The talks of both of
these gentlemen were comprehensive,
interesting and well received, being
especially instructive in their rela-
tion to school affairs.

A pleasing feature of the evening
was the presentation of a gavel to
Superintendent Masterson, by Hon-
est Wallender, of the S. E. Normal,
the token being fashioned of a piece
of wood taken from the old "whip-
ping post" at Bokchito used by In-
dians years ago.

Superintendent M. P. Hammond,
of the public schools of Hugo, was
elected president of the Southeastern
Teachers Association, at the election
of officers.

Superintendent W. H. Echols, of
Eufaula, was elected vice-president
of the association.

P. E. Laird of the Southeastern
Normal, was elected Secretary-Treas-
urer.

Superintendent Geo. W. Coffman,
of Ardmore, was elected a member of
the executive committee.

One of the most important pieces
of work that the association mapped
out for the future was the determi-
nation to initiate a petition for a
referendum bill calling for a state
wide six mill levy, for school pur-
poses, the six mills to be appropriat-
ed on the per capita basis. Every
member was heartily in favor of the
proposition, and promised earnest
support, and feel that it will avoid
all necessity for special elections to
raise sufficient funds to keep the
schools going for nine months each
year.

The rain interfered to some extent
in attendance, still the records show
nearly seventy per cent. The re-
ports also show 1,090 members of
the association.

WAR-TIME RATIONING OF COAL IS ORDERED

Government Takes Stern Measures
to Avert Nation-Wide Coal Fam-
ine and Many Users Are
Cut Off. No More
Conference.

War-time restrictions on the Na-
tion's use of coal, more stringent ev-
en than those applied during the war,
have been ordered into effect to
stave off a fuel famine.

Moved by reports of diminishing
coal stocks and growing danger of
distress in numerous sections, the
Government sought no compromise
with striking mine workers, but ask-
ed for national determination to en-
dure privation and discomfort until
coal mining was resumed on its
terms.

Fuel Administrator Garfield, act-
ing in conjunction with the Railroad
Administration, gave notice that
hereafter only the essential consum-
ers included in the first five classes
of the war priorities list would be
supplied with coal, and asked for
help of all state and municipal au-
thorities to make rationing effective.

The order, which made national
those restrictions already put into
local effect by regional coal commit-
tees where the pinch of fuel short-
age has been felt, cuts off supplies
from all but transportation agencies
which includes inland and coastwise
shipping, as well as railroads; Fed-
eral and local Government institutions
and establishments, including con-
cerns working on Government con-
tracts; public utilities, including
newspapers, and retail dealers. Rail-
road Administration officials conced-
ed that it meant widespread cessat-
ion of industrial operations and
was justified only by the gravity of
the situation.

Officials said the terms of the or-
der as given were framed to allow
the greatest possible variation in lo-
cal arrangement, so that emergen-
cies could be met by action best suit-
ed to that result. Industrial estab-
lishments operating their own power
plants will be forced to shut down
when present supplies are exhausted,
while the operators of those whose

power is supplied from public utility
plants will be curtailed or contin-
ued in the discretion of the local
agencies and officials. Dr. Garfield
noted further that the Government
would leave the supervision and con-
trol of distribution by local dealers
entirely to any State, county or mun-
icipality which may make provision
therefor.

Attorney General Palmer called
upon the American people to "refuse
to be stampeded by threats of lack
of coal into concessions which will
insure unreasonably high prices in
all commodities for at least three
years to come."

Mr. Palmer opposed further con-
ference, saying the wage increase of
11 per cent proposed by Dr. Gar-
field, equalized the average miner's
wages with the present high cost of
living, without increasing the price
of coal.

RAILROADERS GET INCREASE

Director General Hines and the
United Brotherhood for Maintenance
of Way Employees and Railway Shop
Laborers have reached a new wage
agreement by which the men will
get time and a half for overtime af-
ter eight hours. The agreement will
affect about 400,000 men.

THE COTTON MARKET

Many Influences Have Affected the
Sale of the Staple During the
Last Two Weeks High
Grades Strong.

During the past two weeks the
cotton market has been affected by
an unusual number of outside in-
fluences, says the report of Springs
& Co., of New York City. High
rates of interest, together with the
warning from the Federal Reserve
Board that more than a normal spec-
ulation in securities, or in commodi-
ties, would be looked upon with dis-
favor and discouraged, caused heavy
selling and a big decline between the
fifth and nineteenth of the month
of November. Since then there has
been a recovery of from two to three
cents.

The rejection of the Peace Treaty
by the U. S. Senate also had an un-
settling effect. The decline in Eng-
lish exchange to under four dollars,
was considered by many to be an in-
fluence that might materially cur-
tail exports to England, which in-
dividually, is the largest foreign con-
sumer of cotton. These bearish facts
were further added to by the coal

situation, which is still a menace
to the industrial life of the country.
Labor unrest exists in Europe,
well as in the United States and
though it is not a matter of great
concern, at the moment, it must be
remembered, be kept in mind.

Underlying cotton facts are con-
sidered bullish. High grades re-
main in demand with large sales
the prominent spot markets in the
South and exports continue to ex-
ceed over the corresponding period of
last year.

The world, normally, would need
very large amount of cotton during
the coming year, but the quantity
exported will be governed largely
Europe's ability to obtain credit.

The strength of the cotton market
is indicated by the premiums which
near positions are commanding; De-
cember contracts selling at 600 points
higher than July. Middling cotton
cannot be purchased in the South
and profitably tendered on contract
in New York. High grades have
maintained, and in some cases in-
creased their premiums with an ac-
tive demand.

Exports so far this season are
1,910,034 bales against 1,249,900
bales last year.

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We offer you, stock at par value in the above com-
pany which has a dividend earning value of six per
cent per annum, and in ADDITION TO THIS, the com-
pany owns 650 acres of oil and gas leases in Okmulgee
and Muskogee Counties which are located in the heart
of the oil producing fields adjoining producing wells.

Two hundred acres of our leases in Okmulgee
County are proven for oil. On this lease there are
two wells and a power plant connected with the pipe
line, a gas well which insures ample fuel for drilling.
Development is on three sides of this lease and the
wells are on the pump. On our lease of 210 acres in
Okmulgee County and on our 130 acre lease in Mus-
kogee County, production has been developed to with-
in 200 feet of each of them.

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We offer you an opportunity to get some of this
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PORTER NEWMAN, Treasurer,
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You are invited to attend the Annual Convention of the
OKLAHOMA SHORTHORN BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION
and
SHORTHORN STOCK SALE

at
ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA
December 12 and 13, 1919.

SHORTHORNS IN MOTION PICTURES

A series of films showing the leading Shorthorn breeding farms of America,
the cattle and the conditions under which they are handled will be shown as a
feature of a "Smoker" to be given to convention visitors by the Ardmore Chamber of
Commerce at Convention Hall, Friday evening, December 12, at 8 o'clock. Good
speakers.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

The convention opens Saturday morning at Convention Hall at 10 o'clock. Ses-
sions morning and afternoon. Addresses by representatives of the American Short-
horn Association and the Oklahoma Association. President Whitehurst of the State
Board of Agriculture will address the convention.

BREEDING PROMOTION SALE OF SHORTHORNS

Auction sale of **Forty Registered Shorthorn Cattle** will be held Saturday after-
noon at one o'clock, between the convention sessions. Thirty females and ten bulls
will be sold. These have been consigned to this sale by prominent Shorthorn breed-
ers of Oklahoma who are making a sacrifice to help advance their favorite breed in
the southern part of the state. These cattle were selected for the purpose of afford-
ing the beginner an opportunity to buy reliable, useful animals for foundation stock
with which to establish a herd. The cattle are in ordinary breeding condition—
not fitted or pampered for sale. Owing to the fact that this is the first sale of regis-
tered cattle ever held in this section, it is expected that there will be numerous buy-
ers.

GOLD MEDAL BULL CALF

The feature of the sale will be the Oklahoma State Fair prize-winning Short-
horn bull calf Merry Rex, by Imported Merry Leader, of Scotland. J. Robt. Gillam
contributes this calf as a help in his "swat the scrub bull" campaign.

Ardmore Chamber of Commerce